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Title: Method for Power Optimization in a
 Vehicle/Train having an efficiency that
 Depends on the Operating Point

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated 7th October 2003, and the telephone interview
 on 6th February 2004 between the Examiner, applicant's representative Mr David Owen and
 Mr Paul Clarkson, please amend the above-identified application as below and consider the
 accompanying remarks: